

December 18, 2004

Obit: Ruth Knudsen

- Funeral Services for Ruth Knudsen, 85, of Groton, will be 2:00pm, Saturday, December 18th at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton. Rev. Elizabeth Johnson will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.
- Visitation will be held for one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church.
- Ruth died Tuesday, December 14, 2004 at Angelhaus Regional Care Center in Aberdeen.
- Ruth was born on June 12, 1919 to Knute and Gusta (Olson) Holum in Groton, SD. She attended school in Groton and following graduation attended Northern Teacher's College. She graduated from Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa. Ruth worked at Oliver's Farm Equipment in Charles City, Iowa and later for the Aberdeen National Bank. She united in marriage with Elmer Knudsen on March 6, 1948. Together they purchased and lived on a farm near Claire City, SD. In 1961, they moved to a farm near Groton, where they made their home for many years. Elmer passed away in February of 1987.
- Ruth was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Aberdeen and Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton.
- Grateful for having shared her life are her children; Stanley (Kathy) Knudsen of Groton, Rhonda (Jim) Jensen of Larchwood, Iowa, Krestie (Jerry) Tolstedt of Alliance, Nebraska, and Sonja (Patrick) Hurley of Maquoketa, Iowa, ten grandchildren; Chuck & Susy Knudsen, Jenny Tolstedt, Sarah, Kevin, Justin and Nathan Hurley, Jessica and Reid Jensen.
- Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband and one brother, Kenneth.
- Honorary Casketbearers will be the staff at Angelhaus Care Center.
- Casketbearers will be Roy Olson, Greg Clocksene, Ron Westby, Charles Holum, George Knudsen, Jr. and Jim Knudsen.

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